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It is reported that that shrinking violet, Allie J. Angle, will be in the race for the office of state comptroller next year.

It is reported that British prohibitionists have called on Billy Sunday to cross the ocean and help them make their nation dry. They had better leave Billy at home. His style of conversation disgusts temperate people and does no lasting good.

Bids for the construction of \$500,000 worth of roads were opened at Tavares by the commissioners, who will meet again today to further consider the bids.—Leesburg Commercial.

Lake county, preparing to build half a million dollars worth of hard roads, is ahead of Marion.

Ocala has a very clever young cartoonist in Mr. J. Mulligan. The Star has seen a number of Mr. Mulligan's drawings, and unhesitatingly pronounces them as good as some it sees in the leading publications of the country. If this young man could obtain recognition, there would be a great demand for his work.

We note by the Nassau Leader that Mr. R. L. Richard, with the Barnett National Bank, in Jacksonville, will be a candidate for state treasurer next year. We don't suppose Mr. Richard stands much chance to take the job away from Mr. Luning; however, it isn't out of place to say that he is a mighty fine man, and has the good will and confidence of all who know him.

If the letters, signed "Mathematician," "Information Seeker," etc., appearing with great regularity in the Banner, and all trying to give reasons why the people of Ocala should give up their electric current business, were signed with the real name of the author, it would probably be found that they are all written by the same person, and that person has more personal than public reason why Ocala should buy current rather than make it.

A dispatch from Sofia intimates that Germany having failed to come across with the coin Bulgaria demands as the price of neutrality, the entrance of that nation into the war on the part of the allies is only a matter of time. Roumania was greatly enthused last week by the recent visit of the distinguished French general, Pau, to that country, and the Roumanians are said to be exceedingly anxious to attack Austria in order to add Transylvania to their nation.

Dr. Dernburg, formerly colonial secretary of the German empire, but who now seems to be the German press agent in America, announces that Germany has no desire for world-domination, but intends to keep Belgium after the war is over. The Star has no doubt that Germany will keep Belgium if it can, and it also thinks the Germans have had impressed on them in the last six months that world domination is a little too much, even for their ability.

The Star understands that the attempt to pass a law requiring county superintendents of instruction to inspect Catholic schools has been killed in committee. The state has no right to inspect a school that it does not support, and why a county superintendent should interfere with a Catholic any more than with a Methodist, Baptist or Presbyterian school is something no unprejudiced person can understand.

Sheriff Galloway is of the opinion that the city council should pass a curfew law. He says there are a number of boys around town whose parents can't control them, or won't, and it is better for them and the community that the police and the sheriff and his deputies should have the power to make them go home at a reasonable hour in the evening. The Star has never been in favor of curfew days, but it is inclined to heed the opinion of conservative and experienced men like Mr. Galloway. Boys in a town the size of Ocala are more likely to get into devilment than they are in either a smaller place or a larger. In a village, boys are more free and nearer to the woods and fields; in a big city, there is more right at hand to interest them. The average boy has no business on the street after 9 p. m., and some of the kids in Ocala are roaming around the streets till midnight. The Star recommends the council to take the matter into consideration.

Air raids on both sides are becoming more and more a feature of the European war. Judging by the published returns, most of the victims of the bombs dropped from the clouds

are women and children. The Germans began their air raids in the first weeks of the war; now, the allies are getting back at them, their aviators flying far into Germany and dropping bombs on towns and cities. These bombs, of course, are intended to kill soldiers and destroy war apparatus, but they seem to have done little harm except to private property and non-combatants on either side. It is a disgrace to civilized nations that they employ such methods.

As the Star has already said, it thinks the question of a prohibition amendment should be submitted to the people. The Star, however, can't approve of some of the regulations now proposed by certain members of the legislature. In the first place, as long as the state recognizes a business as legitimate, it shouldn't pass laws that are a downright persecution of the men in the said business. Then, it is to be supposed that all regulations of the saloon business are to increase temperance; but compelled men to buy not less than a bottle of beer or half pint of whisky, and not allowing them to drink it in the saloon, is one of the surest ways to increase drinking the Star knows. A man who is content to step in a saloon and pay a nickel for a glass of beer will instead buy a bottle, which will cost him three times as much and, if beer be harmful, do him at least twice as much harm. A man who will stop in a saloon on his way to his office, his shop or his home for a 15-cent drink, which will have very little effect on him, will instead buy a half pint and take it with him. If he be a poor man, he will buy the cheapest whisky, which is always the worst. Whether poor or not, if he takes the whisky with him, he is almost sure to drink more, as well as spend more money. Shutting the saloons at 6 p. m. may decrease drinking, but any measure that sends a man home with half a pint in his pocket is as sure to increase drunkenness as rain is to make grass grow.

That holocaust at Marianna was a fearful thing, but it is highly probable that without it the horrible condition existing in the school would have gone on for years; perhaps the little fellows who were burned to death were called as martyrs. Certain it is that things are to be very different at Marianna.—Miami Metropolis.

One of the sorrowful things about this world is that nearly all progress is made over roads whose dust is laid with the blood and tears of the suffering.

Governor Trammell has suspended two sheriffs, Baker of Palm Beach county and Spencer of Hillsborough, on the charge that they do not do their duty in suppressing gambling in their respective shires. The Star doesn't know anything about Hillsborough county, but that gilt-edged joint at Palm Beach is too notorious to be denied, and it couldn't exist so openly and brazenly if the officers of the county did their duty. The Star hopes the Senate will support Governor Trammell.

Senator Miles Pointdexter of Washington, sole representative of the progressive party in the Senate, has returned to the republican fold. Mr. Roosevelt also announces that he will take a hand in nominating a republican president next year. The people of Florida can be certain of one thing, and that is, if the republican party gets into power again, the same old gang of carpetbaggers will be put in charge of federal offices in this state.

The identity of the plant growing in the courthouse lawn, which caused so much curiosity, has been established. A letter to the Star from the experiment station of the Florida University says it appears to be the "Stachys Floridiana," a plant quite similar to the "Stachys Sieboldi," or Chinese artichoke. Dr. Chas. E. Tydings had already told the Star that it was a variety of artichoke, but we misquoted him, and said he said asparagus. Saturday, Dr. von Engelken, who has made an exhaustive study of botany, told the Star that the plant was Stachys, probably Stachys Aspera, a plant related to the mint.

Uncle Joe Dixon is out on his annual hike. He was last heard from at Live Oak, where the Democrat editor "filled him up with grits and corn-bread." The Lakeland Telegram, where Uncle Joe works when he's not walking, will keep the state press posted as to his whereabouts.—Tampa Tribune.

Uncle Joe is one of the salt of the earth, and the Telegram does itself honor in recognizing his merit.

## SWARMING WITH SHAD

Squillions of the Young Fish in the Waters from Silver Springs to the Sea

There are millions upon millions of young shad in Silver Springs, Silver river, the Oklawaha and St. Johns river. The little fish, spawned this winter, are now from three to five inches in length and look right blue in the clear water. They are easily caught with a crab or dip net and many people are ruthlessly destroying hundreds of them in that way. Those traveling the river say the great schools of them in the springs are samples of the supply all the way down to tide water. Such quantities were never seen before and where the grown fish came from to supply such vast quantities of spawn is not known. We are told the little fish will be grown or large enough for market in six months more. If this is the case and they are not destroyed in great quantities, there should be so many shad in the river as to make their capture a joke. As they are one of the most highly prized fresh water fish for commercial purposes, the possibilities of fishing on the Oklawaha are very attractive for the near future.

### RAPID PROGRESS ON THE NEW ROAD

Mr. Hilands Arranging for Terminals for the Fort Myers, Marco Bay and Miami

Miami Metropolis, 17th: To complete plans for the terminals of the Fort Myers, Marco Bay & Miami railway, W. J. Hilands, general manager of the new line which will open up the lower part of the Florida peninsula and connect the east and west coasts, will arrive in this city early next week. Advices to this effect were received here today by local men interested in the project.

Mr. Hilands has been in Jacksonville for some time securing rights of way through Lee county, and having successfully accomplished this, left last week for New York where he is now attending to matters of importance to the new road.

Mr. Hilands reports that the road has been completely financed and that the permanent survey will be completed within a few weeks. Preliminary surveys were made during the winter and it is hoped to begin the operation of trains before another year has rolled around.

### DAYTONA HOUSE BOAT AT OCALA DOCK

Came to Silver Springs With a Party from the East Coast

A big and elegantly fitted houseboat, the Eagle, owned at Daytona and under charter for the season, visited Silver Springs Saturday and remained till Sunday noon. The houseboat has on board Col. and Mrs. S. C. H. Slocum of the U. S. A., Capt. Lagg, Engineer Smith and their crew. The Eagle is 61 feet long and 12 feet beam.

### SEVERAL GASOLINE SUPPLY STATIONS

Are Among the Latest Improvements in Ocala

Ocala has had several modern, self-measuring and straining gasoline supply pumps and tanks placed on the edge of the sidewalks of late. Davies, the tire man, Edward Tucker and the Marion Mercantile Co. have each had one installed lately. It is quite a convenience to the public as well as the dealer. The next move in this direction will be an automatic vendor attachment, so that anyone can fill his tank at any time of the day or night, by the method of the coin in a slot.

### ONIONS ENOUGH TO SUPPLY ALL OCALA

Mr. W. D. Taylor, in the fertile garden spot surrounding the little pond at the rear of the Taylor home, on Eastern Fort King, has one of the finest onion patches in this part of the county and there must be enough onions in it to supply Ocala for many a day to come.

Mr. Louis C. Lynch, former postmaster in Gainesville, is now the efficient secretary of the Gainesville board of trade.

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It came to pass several weeks ago that the Florida Citrus Exchange controlled the major portion of the fruit remaining in the state—for the first time in the history of the organization.

Almost immediately prices became good and they have been maintained since at a satisfactory level. The lesson is obvious and justifies the faith of the founders of the Exchange that just what has happened would take place whenever the Exchange had the marketing of more than half the fruit.

The Florida Citrus Exchange can continue to get good prices for the growers so long as they let it handle the greater portion of the crop. Therefore it asks that they entrust it with the marketing of sixty per cent. or more of the citrus fruit produced in the state for the coming season that it may keep on doing this.

It is the plan of the Exchange to carry on even more aggressively its splendid advertising to increase consumer demand for Florida oranges and grapefruit. This season it has opened up many markets in which Florida fruit never before was sold. By still further extending this line of effort, the Exchange proposes to sell a much larger proportion of the fruit outside of auctions.

Growers now can join the Exchange with privilege of having the local Associations sell their fruit in carload lots at the packing house to buyers whenever these offer satisfactory prices. Any grower may terminate his contract with the Exchange at the end of shipping season. Won't you join under these conditions? If so, fill out and sign this blank, mailing it to the general offices in Tampa.

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city council of said city shall see fit; to build, operate and maintain electric trolley lines either within or without the corporate limits of said city, for the transportation of passengers and freight, and to make such charges for such transportation as said council shall see fit, and to issue bonds in accordance with law for such purposes as in the case of other municipal purposes.

To empower said city to make and enter into contracts with any of its own officers until such a time as the census of population of said city shall show it to contain more than 10,000 inhabitants.

That there shall be a city clerk, a city treasurer and a city collector elected annually by the city council in accordance with law, whose powers and duties shall be such as shall be fixed by the city council of said city.

To empower said city to issue industrial bonds not to exceed \$50,000, to encourage and assist in the establishment of factories and enterprises within the corporate limits of said city, and to make such loans to the owners or parties interested in such enterprises or factories as may be approved by a majority of the bond trustees of said city, provided the interest charged on such loans is not to be less than the interest paid on such bonds.

To empower the said city to reassess paving and sidewalk special assessments which may be void by reason of irregularities and errors; and to empower the said city to serve notice on unknown property owners or absent property owners by publication in newspapers when such property owners may be required to construct any street or sidewalk paving on any property by said city.

That the members of the city council are to each receive the salary of \$15 per month, and that any member absenting himself from any regular meeting of the city council shall have the sum of \$7.50 deducted from such salary, unless he had first secured the written consent of the president of the council to be absent.

That only the duly qualified and registered voters of the said city who possess real or personal property subject to taxation by said city to the amount of \$200 and who have paid the taxes last due thereon shall be permitted to vote in any election called for the purpose of issuing bonds of the said city.

That no franchise of any kind shall be granted by the city of Ocala, to any person, firm or corporation, without the consent of a majority of the registered voters of the city of Ocala voting at an election for that purpose called and that any person, firm or corporation desiring to secure any such franchise shall deposit with the city clerk of the said city at such time as shall be fixed by the city council, a sufficient sum of money, the amount thereof to be fixed by the city council, sufficient to defray all the expenses of calling and holding such an election.

City Council of the City of Ocala.  
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### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the city council of the city of Ocala, Marion county, Florida, will apply to the legislature of the state of Florida, at the next session thereof for local or special legislation to change and amend the city charter of the said city as follows:

That all taxes which are levied by said city upon real and personal property shall be collected substantially in the same manner provided by law for the collection of state and county taxes, or that may be hereafter provided, in so far as the same is applicable; that the city council of said city shall be the equalization board for said city in such matters and that it shall be empowered to provide by ordinance for the hearing and adjusting of all complaints in such matters, and for the time of assessing and collecting such taxes, the opening and closing of the tax books, the duties of the tax assessor in relation to the return and assessment of property, in addition to the powers already conferred in such matters upon said council; that any property not taxed for any year by reason of omission or error, or that escaped the payment of the taxes for any year by reason of such error or omission shall be taxed the next ensuing year for both the tax for the year in which such error or omission occurred in addition to the taxes for such ensuing year.

To empower said city to levy a special tax annually not to exceed one mill on all property taxable by said city, for the maintenance or assistance of hospitals, band concerts, and rest rooms for such ensuing year.

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